

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT**

Public Services – Agriculture Department - Sri J.Sanavulla, A.O., Puttur, Chittoor District - Disciplinary action initiated u/r 20 of A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Penalty of stoppage of 2 annual grade increments with cumulative effect, imposed by the Commissioner & Director of Agriculture, Hyderabad – Appeal petition filed – Appeal petition partly Allowed – Orders - Issued.

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**AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.Rt.No. 385**

**Dated: 26-03-2010.**

**Read the following:-**

1. Charge Memo. Vig.IV(1)167/05, dated Dt. 22-6-2005 of the C&DA, Hyd.
2. Memo.No.vig.IV(1)167/05, dated 26-12-2005 of the C&DA, A.P. Hyderabad.
3. From the DDA (PP)/ Inquiry Officer, O/o. JDA, Chittoor dated 26-4-2006.
4. Memo.No.vig.IV(1)167/05, dated 9-06-2006 of the C&DA, A.P. Hyderabad.
5. From Sri J.Sanavulla, A.O., Puttur, Chittoor District repn., dated 27-7-2006.
6. Pro. No. Vig.IV(1)167/05, dated Dt. 24-10-2006 of the C&DA, Hyderabad.
7. From Sri J.Sanavulla, A.O., Puttur, Chittoor District appeal petition dated 16-12-09
8. From the C&DA, Hyderabad Lr.No.Vigh.IV(2)5/2010, dated 21-1-2010.

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**ORDER:**

The Commissioner & Director of Agriculture, Hyderabad had initiated disciplinary action against Sri Jaffer Sanavulla, Agriculture Officer, Puttur, Chittoor District, as he has not remitted the non-subsidy amounts of Rs.60,142/- towards seed supplied by A.P. State Seed Development Corporation Limited, Srikalahasti, under various schemes during Kahriff and Rabi 2004-2005 for distribution to the farmers under 50% subsidy and also failed to repay the instalments of personal loan amount to Bank inspite of several reminders by framing 2 article of Charges under 20 of A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991 against him vide reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above.

2. The Appellant has not submitted his written statement of defence. In the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above the Commissioner & Director of Agriculture, Hyderabad, has appointed Sri R. Venkteshwarlu, Dy. Director of Agriculture, (PP), office of the Joint Director of Agriculture, Chittoor as Inquiry authority to inquire into the charges framed against the appellant. The Inquiry Officer, has submitted his inquiry report vide reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above and held the charge No. 1 is held proved and Charge 2 not proved.

3. After careful examination of the matter and after following due procedures, the disciplinary authority ie., Commissioner & Director of Agriculture, Hyderabad had imposed the penalty of stoppage of two (2) increments with cumulative effect against Sri Jaffer Sanavulla, former Agriculture Officer, Puttur, Chittoor District under Rule 9 (vi) of A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991 vide reference 6<sup>th</sup> read above.

4. Aggrieved by the above orders, in the reference 7<sup>th</sup> read above, Sri Jaffer Sanavulla, Agriculture Officer, Puttur, Chittoor District has filed an appeal petition before the Government. The appellant in his appeal petition has submitted that as per the procedure the seeds have to be distributed by APSSDC under subsidy rates to the selected beneficiaries under various scheme on basis of the slips/permits for the inputs to the ryots. On the request of APSSDC, he has distributed the seeds to the farmers on subsidy rates based on the issue slips to the beneficiaries under the various schemes. Some of the farmers have not paid the non-subsidy amount of the seeds, More over the targets fixed by the Govt. cannot be achieved if the seeds are not supplied to the farmers, as such the appellant stated that he was forced to supply the seeds to the farmers on credit basis, otherwise the seeds supplied by APSSDC will be damaged and they may become useless and spoil the stocks. In the circumstances the appellant stated that he has distributed the entire stocks to the beneficiaries without any crisis and damage to the stocks and also loss to Government. He has made sincere efforts for collection of the amount towards non subsidy portion from the beneficiaries who was issued seeds on credit basis. Further he stated that he has collected the entire amount from them patiently partly as per the convenience of the beneficiaries and remitted the amount to the APSSDC as soon as the

entire amount is collected from the beneficiaries. Neither he has utilized the amount for his personal purpose nor misused the same and there is no fault or any delay on his part in remitting the amount to the APSSDC. In respect of Charge II the appellant submitted that the loan amount is being repaid from his monthly pay bills regularly and the entire amount has been paid by him to the bank and the Inquiry Officer also stated that the charge is not held proved and requested to set aside the penalty of stoppage of 2 increments with cumulative effect imposed against him by the Commissioner & Director of Agriculture, Hyderabad in the interest of justice and to avoid irreparable loss and justice by condoning the delay in submission of his appeal petition on health grounds.

5. Government after careful examination of the appeal petition of the appellant with reference to the records, have condoned the delay in filing the appeal petition, under rule 43 of A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991, and have observed that the non subsidy amount of Rs.60,142/- towards seed supplied by APSSDC, Srikalahasti has already been remitted by the Charged Officer and confirmed by the District Manager, State Seed Development Corporation, Srikalahasti and the reason for delay as stated by the appellant is that the subsidy seeds were sold on credit basis and after recovery from the beneficiaries the entire amount was settled and Government have further observed that the personal loan availed from Canara Bank, has been paid to the Bank and the Inquiry officer has also stated that the charge is not proved. Therefore, Government has decided to considered the appeal petition and take a lenient view and reduce the penalty of stoppage of 2 increments with cumulative effect imposed by the Commissioner & Director of Agriculture, Hyderabad to that of "Censure",

6. Accordingly, Government hereby reduce the penalty of stoppage of 2 increments with cumulative effect imposed by the Commissioner & Director of Agriculture, Hyderabad to that of "Censure" against Sri Jaffer Sanavulla, Agriculture Officer, Puttur, Chittoor District. The appeal petition is accordingly partly allowed.

7. The Commissioner & Director of Agriculture, Hyderabad shall take necessary action in the matter. The original records received in the Government are returned herewith.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

**RACHEL CHATTERJEE  
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To  
Sri Jaffer Sanavulla, Agriculture Officer, Puttur, Chittoor District  
(through C&DA., Hyderabad.)

**Copy to:**

The Commissioner & Director of Agriculture,  
A.P. Hyderabad (w.e.).  
Sf/Sc.

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**SECTION OFFICER**